

RURAL SCHOOL SOCIAL CENTERS

The Lure of the City Felt in Remote Rural Sections

GRAVE PROBLEM CONFRONTS THE PEOPLE

While many societies are being founded to exploit the "Back to the Farm" movement, the gravest problem confronting the farmer is how to keep young people on the farm.

The lure of the city is felt even in the remotest rural communities. All young people are pleasure-loving. They demand recreation, and if opportunities for social enjoyment do not present themselves in their own community, they are bound to seek them afar.

The opportunity for helpful recreation and enjoyment presents itself in the new School Social-Center movement.

In by-gone days, the rural schools provided entertainment for the community in the form of "spelling-bees," "singing-schools," etc. Gradually these recreations died out, and there sprang up "lyceums" and "literary societies," both of which were helpful and inspiring to the young, even though the oratory was crude, and the knowledge of subjects under discussion limited.

Today the lyceum is a thing of the past, and the country school-house stands desolate and deserted, during the long winter evenings, and through the long months of vacation.

Farm children should be given the most careful and judicious training in the public schools. This however is far from being the rule. In many cases the teachers themselves lack proper training, and the equipment is of the poorest kind. Every rural school should be provided with a good library for the benefit of both the school and the community.

The acquisition of knowledge from books is necessary, but this book-knowledge does not in itself constitute an education, far from it. We need an educational system which fits a boy or girl to earn a living; creates a desire for more knowledge; makes civic duty plain, and teaches him or her the fundamental principles of universal brotherhood.

At present a very large per cent of the business and professional men, including statesmen, especially through the South and West, are men who were reared on the farm, or came from the workshops of towns and villages. The indications are that a very large per cent of the leaders of the future will come from the same sources. Therefore it is necessary that the children in the rural school should receive better training than is being given them now.

Many of the ablest men of today have been hampered by lack of early training, and nothing can take the place of this lost training. If the state wants its citizens to be successful, prosperous, and happy in the future it must no longer neglect the early training of those who are to bring about the conditions which will accomplish the desired results.

Our best teachers should be sent to the rural schools; earnest progressive men and women, capable of introducing into the work qualities which will arouse the young people's enthusiasm and set them thinking and in-

vestigating along new lines of endeavor.

The country presents ideal conditions for the study of nature, and yet how many children are taught the real fundamental facts of nature, unfolding themselves all about them? The perennial miracle of plant life is so common, and so constantly before them, that they fail to see or take note of it. An intelligent presentation of this wonderful fact of resurrected life, will arouse in the minds of the children new lines of thought, and send them forth with eager feet, to make new discoveries.

The attention of the children should be directed to the wise provision made by trees and hardy plants for the coming of winter, as, at the first hint of the changing season, they begin to store up carbon, withdrawing from the leaves what the tree needs for its support during the winter's cold, and by the withdrawal of the sap, hardening and protecting the limbs and branches.

Such study naturally leads to the study of animals, and nature's provision for their protection during the winter months as illustrated by the migration of birds, etc. The topics are endless. Thus the children may be taught to realize the whole universe is a great, living, thinking, feeling thing,—and back of it all is the One Life, throbbing and pulsing through it.

With intelligent thought, rightly presented, the farm can be shown to be such a wonderful store-house of marvelous things that the boys and girls will forget the cities with their glittering allurements, in their intense interest in things right at hand.

The School Social Center presents the opportunity. The school-rooms should be thrown open for all kinds of meetings of an uplifting character, including social functions, holiday celebrations, lectures, musicals, etc.

Certain branches of domestic science should be given a place in every country school curriculum. Few country house-wives have ever been taught efficient dress-making. Why not employ a sewing-teacher, from some near-by city, who understands her work thoroughly, to give a series of lessons at the School Social Center, the classes to be attended by both mothers and daughter?

While most farmers' wives are excellent cooks, few understand food values, or food hygiene. This branch of domestic science should be thoroughly taught by an expert dietician.

Then why not hold neighborhood fairs and exhibitions, where both domestic arts, and farm products may be displayed thus arousing increased and enthusiastic interest in every-day work?

Nor should the boys be neglected. A small building might be erected, a good carpenter employed, and a manual training class organized. Lectures, illustrating scientific farming, might be given.

Truly opportunity is knocking at the door of the Rural School Social Center. Will the farmers realize the fact, and grasp it?

Everybody is liable to "catch cold" but those who give a cold proper attention never have serious lung diseases. It is neglect that makes them serious. Prudent persons use BALLARD'S HORE-HOUND SYRUP as soon as the trouble appears and the cold is cured at once. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by St. Bernard Mining Co., Incorporated Drug Department.

EARLINGTON PUBLIC SCHOOL OPENED

Monday With Largest Attendance in History of School

ENTHUSIASM MARKS OPENING DAY

The Earlinton Public Graded School opened Monday with the largest attendance in the history of the school. Several hundred children with bright enthusiastic faces were present and ready for work. The first day was spent in arranging for suitable books and grading the children. The school at this place will be taught in the morning and afternoon as usual, thereby giving the children the benefit of a full days schooling. Prof. O. E. Dudley, the principal, has secured an able corps of assistants for the term and expects to have an unusually successful year. Quite a number of out-of-town pupils will attend this term. Following is a list of teachers and their grades:

Miss Mary Mothershead 1st-g
Miss Gene Armstrong 2nd-g
Miss Elizabeth Kemp 3rd-g
Miss Ruby Sisk 4th-g
Miss Camille Lackey 5th-g
Miss Geneve Huffaker 5 6th-g
Miss Kathleen Howard Ass't High School.
O. E. Dudley, Principal.

An article that has real merit should in time become popular. That such is the case with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has been attested by many dealers. Here is one of them. H. W. Hendrickson, Ohio Falls, Ind., writes, "Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best for coughs, colds and croup, and is my best seller." For sale by All Dealers.

Mule Threw S. S. David of Carbonale and broke his arm.

S. S. David of Carbonale was going to St. Charles Wednesday to bring a mower home. He was riding one of the mules when it became frightened at a motor cycle ridden by Hardy Kennett and threw him. His hand became fastened in the bridle and as the mule ran through the woods his arm struck against a tree and broke it above the elbow. Dr. Finley of St. Charles dressed the wound and Mr. David is getting along as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

Bad breath, bitter taste, dizziness and a general "no account" feeling is a sure sign of a torpid liver. HERBINE is the medicine needed. It makes the liver active, vitalizes the blood, regulates the bowels and restores a fine feeling of energy and cheerfulness. Price 50c. Sold by St. Bernard Mining Co., Incorporated Drug Department.

Had Finger Cut.

Miss Lelia Vaughan, one of the Bee's Typos, had the misfortune to have her finger cut with flying glass Monday morning. Some of the carpenters who are working on the pool room addition in the rear of Nixon's restaurant left a heavy plank standing near the window. It was jarred loose in some manner and fell through the window breaking the sash, four panes of glass and cutting Miss Vaughan's finger.

Wanted at once 100 Miners. Steady work.

NORTONVILLE COAL & COKE CO. Incorporated

House Burns at Madisonville

The residence of Dick Rodgers on Sagg street caught fire in some unknown manner while the family was absent Sunday evening at 7.30. The alarm was promptly turned in and a large crowd gathered to see it burn. Some of the neighbors broke the doors open and saved a considerable portion of household goods. Mr. Rodgers is said to have sold the place to a negro about two weeks ago.

SOUTHERN METHODIST TO HOLD CONFERENCE

Body Which Has Jurisdiction Over Western Half of State to Meet at Morganfield

The 1912 session of the Louisville conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, which has jurisdiction over the western half of the State, will meet in Morganfield on September 25 and last through September 30th. Aside from the always interesting assignment of preachers for the several churches including those in the city of Louisville, the session this time does not promise to be of more than the usual note. Even the changes of pastors this time will be fewer than usual and as a rule only the smaller churches will be affected.

Bishop Collins Denny was first assigned to hold the conference but owing to the illness of Bishop Heas, it now looks as if Bishop McCoy will preside.

The citizens of Morganfield will entertain the preachers and delegates. There are about two hundred preachers in the conference and practically all of them are expected to attend the conference.

Many Driven From Home

Every year in many parts of the country, thousands are driven from their homes by coughs and lung diseases. Friends and business are left behind for other climates, but this is costly and not always sure. A better way—the way of multitudes—is to use Dr. King's New Discovery and cure yourself at home. Stay right there with your friends, and take this safe medicine. Throat and lung troubles find quick relief and health returns. It helps in coughs, colds, grip, croup, whooping-cough and sore lungs make it a positive blessing. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by all druggists.

Leg Broke in two places.

The little 3 years old child of Will Rabarn was playing on some lumber piled in front of the residence of Mr. Farquhar Sunday night. One of the pieces rolled over the child and broke its leg in two places. The little one suffered considerable at first but is resting easy now.

Notice

Because of trouble with Pumping machinery for the last few day, a scarcity of water, has been created. We would respectfully request all consumers to be as economical as possible in the use of water. Thereby assisting us to regain the normal supply.

ST. BERNARD MINING CO. Incorporated

Meeting at Mortons Gap

Revival services will begin tonight at Mortons Gap at the Christian Church. Rev. Walter N. Martin, of Earlinton, will do the preaching. All the Christian people of the town, irrespective of denomination, are urged to come out and help to make the meeting a help to all.

Feel languid, weak, run down? Headache? Stomach "off"? A good remedy is Burdock Blood Bitters. Ask your druggist. Price \$1.00.

Mrs. Iley Lane Quite Ill

Word was received here by relatives that Mrs. Iley Lane is seriously ill at her home in Princeton, Ind. Some of her relatives left for Princeton Monday. The many friends of the family hope for her recovery.

Running up and down stairs, sweeping and bending over making beds will not make a woman healthy or beautiful. She must get out of doors, walk a mile or two every day and take Chamberlain's Tablets to improve her digestion and regulate her bowels. For sale by All Dealers.

CITY COUNCIL HAS IMPORTANT MEETING

Several Ordinances Passed For Further Paving Streets

ADDITIONAL SEWERAGE DISCUSSED

An important meeting of the City Council was held last night in the City Hall, all of the councilmen were present except J. M. Oldham, who was absent on account of illness. At this meeting several ordinances were passed to construct pavements on streets in the city. One of these ordinances covers streets in the Western portion of the city leading to the cemetery, this will give pedestrians a high and dry walk to and from this place and will fill a long felt want. The construction of additional sewerage was discussed and contracts for same will probably be let in a short time. Y. Q. Walker was elected city tax collector and will begin his duties at the proper time. It is in the range of possibilities that an ordinance will be passed in a future meeting authorizing a pavement leading to the lake.

A Texas Wonder

The Texas Wonder cures Kidney and cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism, and all irregularities of bladder troubles, removing gravel, the kidneys and bladder in both men and women. Regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1.00. One small bottle is two months treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Send for testimonials from Ky. and other states. Dr. E. W. Hall 2953 Olive street, St. Louis Mo. Sold by all druggists.

Paralysis Fatal

Mrs. Amanda Darnell died at the home of her daughter Mrs. C. H. Murphy, in Madisonville, Sunday evening at 9:35 o'clock. She was stricken nearly a week ago and very little hope was held for her recovery. Mrs. Darnell was 76 years old and had made her home with her daughter. She was the mother of several children all of whom are dead except Mrs. C. H. Murphy and Mrs. M. H. Jagoe, of Cadiz, Ky. Services were conducted by Rev. O. F. Wimberly at the M. E. Church South and she was interred at Odd Fellows cemetery in the presence of a large number of friends and acquaintances.

If you knew the real value of Chamberlain's Liniment for lame back, soreness of the muscles, sprain and rheumatic pains, you would never wish to be without it. For sale by All Dealers.

Tom Thumb Wedding Great Success

The Tom Thumb wedding in which a number of Earlinton little folks took part at the Opera house Friday night was a great success. The little ones played their part without a mistake before a large and enthusiastic audience. A nice sum was realized for the Christian Church.

Under the graded school system proposed for Earlinton the man who pays poll tax only cannot be made to pay over fifty cents a year more than his present school poll tax paid to the county.

Earlinton Man Out For Representative

Dr. Eldred A. Davis, of this city, has shed his castor in the political ring and will make the race for representative. Dr. Davis is well known and popular here and the people of Hopkins County will know he is in the race before it is over.

If you want your children to receive the benefit of your school tax vote for the graded school on Saturday Sept. 14th and keep all school money in Earlinton.

EVERYDAY PHILOSOPHY

(William J. Burtcher in "Judge.")

A man doesn't have to aim very high to hit the dollar mark.

Cupid should be behind every wedding—but not too far behind.

He who would have it said that he sings like a bird must sing better than birds.

The five senses—horse sense, common sense, uncommon sense, non-sense and just sense.

Wise men repeat their own wisdom to please themselves and repractice it to please others.

The man who wants something he hasn't the money to buy, is poor—and so is the man who wants something he cannot buy with the money he has.

It's such a grand thing to live to be the father of a father that the world calls him a grandfather.

The unjust critic makes the molehills of badness look like mountains and the mountains of goodness like molehills.

It's difficult for a man to be some of the time as good as he ought to be all of the time if he wants to be all of the time as bad as he ought to be none of the time.

There was a time when an ordinary man with an ordinary message could make an extraordinary impression, but now it takes an extraordinary man with an extraordinary message to make even an ordinary impression.

Take HERBINE for heartburn, sour belching or constipation. It cleanses and strengthens the liver, stomach and bowels. Price 50c. Sold by St. Bernard Mining Co., Incorporated Drug Department.

Porch Party

Mrs. Newell Alford was the charming hostess at a Rook party at her lovely home on Farron Ave. Friday morning, given in honor of her sister Miss Margaret Atkinson, who leaves this week for Buford College, Nashville. Three tables of young people made merry during the morning hours at which time a dainty luncheon of sandwiches and ices was served.

For the highest score made Miss Susan Marie Crutchenfield received a handsome box of paper. Miss Margaret Atkinson, as guest of honor, was also presented with a box of paper.

This was one of the most delightful social affairs of the season.

The Men Who Succeed

as heads of large enterprises are men of great energy. Success, today demands health. To all is to fail. It's utter folly for a man to endure a weak, run-down, half alive condition when Electric Bitters will put him right on his feet in short order. "Four bottles did me more real good than any other medicine I ever took," writes Chas. B. Allen, Sylvania, Ga. "After years of suffering with rheumatism, liver trouble, stomach disorders, and deranged kidneys, I am again, thanks to Electric Bitters, sound and well." Try them. Only 50 cents at all druggists.

Capt. H. W. Rogers in Bowling Green

Capt. H. W. Rogers, of this city, left for Bowling Green Monday on business connected with the State Militia Department. Capt. Rogers has supervised the construction of a number of rifle ranges this summer in different parts of the State and his work has received the highest commendation from his superior officers.

A Remarkable Offer

The Evansville Courier's latest campaign offer: Send 50c today and receive the Evansville Courier daily by mail until after election, together with the Indiana Farmer weekly for one year.

Democrats, Republicans and Bull Moose will find all the political news in the Courier.

It brings the news of the night to the breakfast table.